

HB

117



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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 28, 2007

To: Representative John Coghill
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From: Jane Pierson *JWP*
House Judiciary Committee Aide

Re: Judiciary Referral File for HB117

Attached please find:

- CSHB117(JUD) 25-LS0458\M
- Judiciary Committee Report
- HB117 25-LS0458\C
- Sponsor Statement
- LAW – zero fiscal note
- Applicable statutes
 - 1) AS 24.05.100 Special sessions
 - 2) AS 26.20.040 Emergency powers of the governor
 - 3) AS 26.23.020 The governor and disaster emergencies
 - 4) AS 26.23.900 Definitions

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John Harris
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SPONSOR STATEMENT HOUSE BILL 117

"An Act relating to proclamations issued by the governor calling the legislature into special session."

House Bill 117 was introduced in order to give legislators and the public more notice in the event the Governor decides to call a special session outside of a disaster declaration or after the conclusion of a regular session.

Special sessions have become the norm rather than the exception during my tenure as a legislator. For "citizen-legislators," who are trying to make a living outside of their legislative duties, two weeks notice is insufficient and unfair to employers of legislators during the interim. More public notice leads to more public participation and ultimately, better legislation.

As stated in the first paragraph, the Governor still has the statutory authority to call a special session prior to the conclusion of a regular session or if a disaster declaration is issued and legislative action is required.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
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Fiscal Note Number: HB117-LAW-LSA-2-16-07
 Bill Version: HB 117
 () Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Law
 Title An Act relating to proclamations calling a RDU Civil
special session. Component Labor & State Affairs
 Sponsor Representative Harris
 Requester House State Affairs Component No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type—Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2007) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill would require the governor to issue a proclamation at least 30 days in advance of the convening date of a special session unless the proclamation is issued under AS 26.23.020(k), while both houses of the legislature are in regular or special session, or within one hour after the first house has adjourned from regular or special session. The department does not anticipate any significant fiscal impact.

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